

Additional declarations of phytosanitary certificates

Regulation (EU) 2016/2031 of the European Parliament of the Council of 26 October 2016 on protective measures against pests of plants....

Article 71

Phytosanitary certificate for introduction into the Union territory

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2. The phytosanitary certificate shall specify under the heading ‘Additional Declaration’ which specific requirement is fulfilled, whenever the respective implementing act... allows for several different options for such requirements. That specification shall include the full wording of the relevant requirement.

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Health and Food Safety Directorate General

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Section *Plant Health*

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‘Additional Declaration’ of the phytosanitary certificate.

...the exporting country should:

- a) declare an overarching statement to refer to compliance with a Regulation, its Annex or its Article;
- b) declare the reference to the specific legal basis that is fulfilled;
- c) declare the full wording as it is suggested in the example attached to this letter.

The same approach should be followed for both the relevant [requirements under Annex VII and Annex IX](#) of Regulation (EU) 2019/2072 and [any emergency measures](#) that provide options to the exporting country.

An example of the Committee agreement for citrus fruit is included as an Annex to this report.

ANNEX

ADDITIONAL DECLARATION AS AGREED AT MEETING OF PAFF OF 13-14 JULY 2020

EXAMPLE OF CITRUS

1. ANNEX VII

Point	Plants, plant products and other objects	Additional Declaration
		The consignment complies with Annex VII of Regulation (EU) 2019/2072.
58	Fruits of <i>Citrus</i> L., <i>Fortunella</i> Swingle, <i>Poncirus</i> Raf., <i>Microcitrus</i> Swingle, <i>Naringi</i> Adans., <i>Swinglea</i> Merr., and their hybrids	(a) 58(a) [NAME OF COUNTRY] is recognised as free of <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>aurantifolii</i> and/or <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>citri</i> .
		(b) 58(b) the fruits originate in an area [NAME OF AREA] established as free from <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>aurantifolii</i> and/or <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>citri</i> . NB. The name of the pest free area can also be included in the box 'PLACE OF ORIGIN'
		(c) 58(c) the fruits originate in a place of production established as free from <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>aurantifolii</i> and/or <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>citri</i>
		(d) 58(d) the site of production and the immediate vicinity have been subject to appropriate treatments and cultural practices against <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>aurantifolii</i> and/or <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>citri</i> , and the fruits have been subjected to a treatment with [NAME OF TREATMENT] and official inspections carried out at appropriate times prior to export have shown that the fruits are free from symptoms of <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>aurantifolii</i> (and/or <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>citri</i> . Traceability information: [INCLUDE HERE] N.B. 1. The name of the post-harvest treatment can also be mentioned under the respective box of the PC. 2. Traceability information can also be put together with the description of the commodity)
		(e) 58(e) FRUITS DESTINED FOR INDUSTRIAL PROCESSING: inspections prior to export have shown that the fruits are free from symptoms of <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>aurantifolii</i> and/or <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>citri</i> , and the site of production and the immediate vicinity have been subject to appropriate treatments and cultural practices against <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>aurantifolii</i> and/or <i>Xanthomonas citri</i> pv. <i>citri</i>

			<p>Traceability information: [INCLUDE HERE]</p> <p><i>N.B. Traceability information can also be put together with the description of the commodity)</i></p>
59	Fruits of <i>Citrus</i> L., <i>Fortunella</i> Swingle, <i>Poncirus</i> Raf., and their hybrids	(a)	59(a) [NAME OF COUNTRY] is free from <i>Pseudocercospora angolensis</i> .
		(b)	59(b) the fruits originate in an area [NAME OF AREA] recognised as free from <i>Pseudocercospora angolensis</i> .
		(c)	59(c) no symptoms of <i>Pseudocercospora angolensis</i> have been observed in the site of production and in its immediate vicinity since the beginning of the last cycle of vegetation, and none of the fruits harvested in the site of production has shown, in appropriate official examination, symptoms of this pest.
60	Fruits of <i>Citrus</i> L., <i>Fortunella</i> Swingle, <i>Poncirus</i> Raf., and their hybrids, other than fruits of <i>Citrus aurantium</i> L. and <i>Citrus latifolia</i> Tanaka	(a)	60(a) [NAME OF COUNTRY] is free from <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> .
		(b)	60(b) the fruits originate in an area [NAME OF AREA] established as free from <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i>
			NB. The name of the pest free area can also be included in the box 'PLACE OF ORIGIN'
		(c)	60(c) the fruits originate in a place of production established as free from <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> and the fruits are found free of symptoms of <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> by official inspection of a representative sample, defined in accordance with international standards
		(d)	60(d) the fruits originate in a site of production subjected to appropriate treatments and cultural measures against <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> and official inspections have been carried out in the site of production during the growing season since the beginning of the last cycle of vegetation, and no symptoms of <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> have been detected in the fruits, and the harvested fruits from that site of production have been found free of symptoms of <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> during an official inspection prior to export, of a representative sample, defined in accordance with international standards.
			<p>Traceability information: [INCLUDE HERE]</p> <p><i>N.B. Traceability information can also be put together with the description of the commodity)</i></p>
		(e)	60(e) FRUITS DESTINED FOR INDUSTRIAL PROICCESSING - the fruits have been found free of symptoms of <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> prior to the export during an official inspection of a

			<p>representative sample, defined in accordance with international standards, and the fruits originate in a site of production subjected to appropriate treatments against <i>Phyllosticta citricarpa</i> carried out at the appropriate time of the year</p> <p>Traceability information: [INCLUDE HERE]</p> <p><i>N.B. Traceability information can also be put together with the description of the commodity)</i></p>
61	Fruits of <i>Citrus</i> L., <i>Fortunella</i> Swingle, <i>Poncirus</i> Raf., and their hybrids, <i>Mangifera</i> L. and <i>Prunus</i> L.	(a)	61(a) [NAME OF COUNTRY] recognised as free from <i>Tephritidae</i> (non-European), to which those fruits are known to be susceptible
		(b)	61(b) the fruits originate in an area [NAME OF AREA] established by the national plant protection organisation in the country of origin as being free from <i>Tephritidae</i> (non-European), to which those fruits are known to be susceptible
		(c)	61(c) no signs of <i>Tephritidae</i> (non-European), to which those fruits are known to be susceptible, have been observed at the place of production and in its immediate vicinity since the beginning of the last complete cycle of vegetation, on official inspections carried out at least monthly during the three months prior to harvesting, and none of the fruits harvested at the place of production has shown, in appropriate official examination, signs of the relevant pest
		(d)	61(d) the fruits have been subjected to an effective systems approach/an effective post-harvest treatment with [NAME OF TREATMENT] to ensure freedom from <i>Tephritidae</i> (non-European), to which those fruits are known to be susceptible
62	Fruits of <i>Capsicum</i> (L.), <i>Citrus</i> L., other than <i>Citrus limon</i> (L.) Osbeck. and	(a)	62(a) [NAME OF COUNTRY] recognised as being free from <i>Thaumatotibia leucotreta</i>
		(b)	62(b) the fruits originate in an area [NAME OF AREA] established by the national plant protection organisation in the country of origin as being free from <i>Thaumatotibia leucotreta</i>
			<i>NB. The name of the pest free area can also be included in the box</i>

<p><i>Citrus aurantiifolia</i> (Christm.) Swingle, <i>Prunus persica</i> (L.) Batsch and <i>Punica granatum</i> L.</p>		'PLACE OF ORIGIN'
	(c)	<p>62(c) the fruits originate in a place of production established as free from <i>Thaumatotibia leucotreta</i> and official inspections have been carried out in the place of production at appropriate times during the growing season, including a visual examination on representative samples of fruit, shown to be free from <i>Thaumatotibia leucotreta</i></p> <p>Traceability information: [INCLUDE HERE]</p> <p><i>N.B. Traceability information can also be put together with the description of the commodity)</i></p>
	(d)	<p>62(d) the fruits have been subjected to an effective treatment [NAME OF TREATMENT]/ effective systems approach to ensure freedom from <i>Thaumatotibia leucotreta</i></p> <p><i>N.B. the name of the post-harvest treatment can also be mentioned under the respective box of the PC.</i></p>

MINIMUM WORDING OF THE ADDITIONAL DECLARATIONS FOR ANNEX V OF IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2019/2072

Article 71(2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/2031, as amended by Regulation (EU) 2024/3115 prescribes that from 6 July 2026 the phytosanitary certificate specifies under the heading “Additional Declaration” the specific requirement which is fulfilled in relation to measures for RNQPs, listed in Annex V of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072, where there are several different options, and it shall include the full wording.

This document sets the minimum wording to be included in the phytosanitary certificate in relation to RNQPs. Third countries:

- need to indicate for Parts A to K, ~~B and G~~ the full wording of the corresponding measure applied, from those listed in Section 3. There is no need to indicate “Section 3”. Sections 1 and 2 of these parts are to be complied with but are not to be included in the PC;
- do not need to add the reference to the table (Table 1 or Table 2, depending on the Part), but just the point and subpoint that applies (e.g. 13(b)) (see examples hereunder;
- do not need to write the entire title of the corresponding part, but just the letter and the scope (see table below);
- do not need to write the author of the pests;
- do not need to specify any additional declaration for RNQPs for plant material falling under the list of exceptions specified in Article 6(3) of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/2072.

Entire title in Annex V	Minimum reference to add in the additional declaration
Part A: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on fodder plant seed	Part A (fodder plant seed)
Part B: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on cereal seed	Part B (cereal seed)
Part C: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on propagating material of ornamental plants and plants for planting intended for ornamental purposes	Part C (ornamental plants)
Part D: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on forest reproductive material, other than seeds	Part D (forest reproductive material, other than seeds)
Part E: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on vegetable seed	Part E (vegetable seed)
Part F: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on seed potato	Part F (seed potato)
Part G: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on seed of oil and fibre plants	Part G (seed of oil and fibre plants)
Part H: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on vegetable propagating and planting material, other than seeds	Part H (vegetable propagating material, other than seeds)
Part I: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on seed of <i>Solanum tuberosum</i>	Part I (seed of <i>Solanum tuberosum</i>)
Part J: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on plants for planting of <i>Humulus lupulus</i> , other than seeds	Part J (<i>Humulus lupulus</i> other than seeds)
Part K: Measures to prevent the presence of RNQPs on fruit propagating material and fruit plants intended for fruit production of <i>Actinidia</i> Lindl., other than seeds	Part K (<i>Actinidia</i> Lindl., fruit propagating material other than seeds and fruit plants)

Examples:

Seeds of *Helianthus annuus* for ornamental purposes

(example: one of the entries for point 13)

Point	Plants for planting		Required minimal wording for the additional declaration
			The consignment complies with Annex V of Regulation (EU) 2019/2072:
13	Seeds of <i>Helianthus annuus</i> L.	(a)	Part C (ornamental plants) - 13(a) the seeds originate in [NAME OF THE AREA], an area established as free from <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> ; <i>NB. The name of the pest free area can also be included in the box 'PLACE OF ORIGIN'</i>
		(b)	Part C (ornamental plants) - 13(b) no symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> have been observed at the production site in at least two inspections at appropriate times, to detect that pest during the growing season;
		(c)	Part C (ornamental plants) - 13(c): (i) the seed production site has been subject to at least two inspections at appropriate times to detect that pest, during the growing season; and (ii) no more than 5% of plants have shown symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> during these inspections, and all plants showing symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> have been removed and destroyed immediately after inspection; and (iii) at the final inspection no plants have been found showing symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> .
		(d)	Part C (ornamental plants) - 13(d): (i) the seed production site has been subject to at least two inspections at appropriate times to detect <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> during the growing season; and (ii) all plants showing symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> have been removed and destroyed immediately after inspection; and (iii) at the final inspection, no plants have been found showing symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> , and a representative sample from each lot has been tested and found free from that pest.
		(e)	Part C (ornamental plants) - 13(e) the seeds have been subjected to an appropriate treatment which has been demonstrated to be effective against all known strains of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> .

Seeds of *Helianthus annuus* for oil and fibre plants:

(example: one of the entries for point 3 and one of the entries for point 8)

Point	Plants for planting		Required minimal wording for the additional declaration
			The consignment complies with Annex V of Regulation (EU) 2019/2072:
3.	Seeds of: <i>Helianthus annuus</i> L.; <i>Linum usitatissimum</i> L.	(a)	PART G (seed of oil and fibre plants) - 3(a) the seeds originate in an area [NAME OF THE AREA] established as free from <i>Botrytis cinerea</i> ; NB. The name of the pest free area can also be included in the box 'PLACE OF ORIGIN'
		(b)	PART G (seed of oil and fibre plants) - 3(b) seed treatment authorised for use against <i>Botrytis cinerea</i> has been applied;
		(c)	PART G (seed of oil and fibre plants) - 3(c) the set tolerance on seeds for <i>Botrytis cinerea</i> established in Annex IV is not exceeded on the basis of a laboratory test of a representative sample;
8	Seeds of: <i>Helianthus annuus</i> L.	(a)	PART G (seed of oil and fibre plants) - 8(a) the seeds originate in an area [NAME OF THE AREA] established as free from <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> . NB. The name of the pest free area can also be included in the box 'PLACE OF ORIGIN'
		(b)	PART G (seed of oil and fibre plants) - 8(b) no symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> have been observed at the production site in at least two inspections at appropriate times, to detect that pest during the growing season.
		(c)	PART G (seed of oil and fibre plants) - 8(c): (i) the production site has been subject to at least two inspections at appropriate times to detect that pest, during the growing season; and (ii) no more than 5% of plants have shown symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> during these inspections, and all plants showing symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> have been removed and destroyed immediately after inspection; and (iii) at the final inspection no plants have been found showing symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> .
		(d)	PART G (seed of oil and fibre plants) - 8(d): (i) the production site has been subject to at least two inspections at appropriate times to detect <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> during the growing season; and (ii) all plants showing symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> have been removed and destroyed immediately after inspection; and (iii) at the final inspection, no plants have been found showing symptoms of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> , and a representative sample from each lot has been tested and found free from that pest.
		(e)	PART G (seed of oil and fibre plants) - 8(e) the seeds have been subjected to an appropriate treatment which has been demonstrated to be effective against all known strains of <i>Plasmopara halstedii</i> .